

REPORT ON OFFICER'S DUTIES IN REGARD TO OSWALD'S DEATH

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On Sunday, November 24, 1963, at 11:45 AM, I talked to Det. L. Baker by telephone from Irving, Texas, and he advised me to report to work as soon as I could get to the office. I had just heard about Jack Ruby shooting Lee Harvey Oswald while watching TV. I arrived at the office in the Homicide Bureau about 12:15 PM. At about 12:45 PM Patrolman P. E. Vaughn called our office and said he had a man down at the information desk in the basement who worked for Jack Ruby. I went down to the information desk and met Billy Joe Willis, w/m/34, of 6922 Forney Road, Phone #EV 1-3965, who was with Officer Vaughn. I searched Willis and then brought him to the Homicide Bureau. I talked to Willis awhile and then took an affidavit from him. After his affidavit was typed up, I took Willis downstairs to information desk and George Snyder notarized the affidavit at 2:27 PM after Willis signed it. Then I let Willis leave from the basement. At 3:00 PM Capt. Frits sent Detectives M. G. Hall, L. D. Montgomery, R. L. Senkel, and me up to the fifth floor to bring Jack Ruby to his office. Det. Senkel waited in the room just outside of the elevator on the third floor while the other three of us went to the jail. When we arrived at the fifth floor jail, Ruby was stripped to his shorts and F. B. I. agent Hall was talking to him. We waited for Ruby to get dressed, and then brought him to third floor on the elevator. There we were joined by Senkel and brought Ruby on into Capt. Frits's office. Mr. Sorrells of the Secret Service was in Capt. Frits's office, and some other officer from F. B. I. or Secret Service was also there. After Capt. Frits and Mr. Sorrells talked to Ruby awhile, Mr. Sorrells and this other officer left. In a few minutes Justice of the Peace, Pierce Mc Bride, and Assistant

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District Attorney, Bill Alexander came in. Judge Mc Bride read the charge to Ruby that had been filed against him and advised him of his rights. At 4:00 PM Det. W. G. Hall, P. L. Senkel, and I took Jack Ruby back to the fifth floor jail and turned him over to the jailers there.